Varsity Basketball

Raiders win 2, lose to Nelson

The Raider varsity basketball team recovered from a tough defeat Friday night against Nelson County to down William Campbell Saturday night, 61-47.

The Raiders added a win over Jefferson Forest last Tuesday to bring their record as of press time Tuesday to ten wins and two losses.

Against Jefferson Forest, the Raiders rallied from a 26-24 deficit at halftime to win, 60-43.

The victory was aided by a superb second-half effort by guard Rick Caldwell, who scored 17 points for the game. Jeff Miller added 18 points to the Raider effort. Norman Turner, Ron Carter, and Kim Humbles, with eight, seven and six points, respectively, rounded out the leading Raider scorers.

The Raiders never really got into gear against Nelson County Friday night in a game Appomattox lost, 64-43.

"It was the first time this year that everyone on the team was flat," said coach Coty Dickerson after the game. "We got off to a slow start, and they got hot....the game got out of hand early and we never could recover."

Nelson is the only team to have defeated the Raiders this year, having done so twice.

The first quarter started off slow for both teams, but Nelson soon heated up, scoring 14 points to the Raiders' six. In the second quarter, Nelson County extended its lead, and carried a 32-14 lead into the locker room at half time. Scoring slowed in the third quarter, with Nelson scoring nine points to the Raiders' six. In the final period, both teams scored 23 points, and Nelson recorded the win, 64-43.

"I was glad we came right back and played the next night," said Dickerson of the 61-47 victory over William Campbell Saturday. "That gave us the chance to put the Nelson game behind us."

The Raiders opened up a 37-19 lead in the first half, but experienced some sluggishness in the third quarter against William Campbell.

William Campbell made a run at the Raiders and got to within four points at one point in the third period, but the Raiders recovered to record the win, their tenth of this season.

Rick Caldwell and Ron Carter both scored in double figures for the Raiders, with 16 and 10 points, respectively. Jeff Miller scored nine, Norman Turner three, Bobby Carter two points and Dennis Fleshman one against William Campbell.

Charles Haley of William Campbell was high scorer for the game with 22 points.

The Raiders were scheduled to play Altavista Tuesday night and Amherst Wednesday night. Friday the team will travel to Brookville for an 8 p.m. game.

Girls win 3

The Raiderette volleyball team has won three of its first five matches, according to Coach Lucy Harris.

The Raiderettes started off the season with a victory over Rustburg, winning 15-3, 15-4 and 15-7 in the best-three-out-of-five competition.

Suzan Eye and Angie Moore had 11 points, and Ruby Smith had nine points to lead the Raiderettes in their first match of the season.

"The team had a total of 17 serves that Rustburg could not return over the net," commented Coach Harris after the match.

On Jan. 30, the Raiderettes played their second game, the first of three in an invitational tournament. The local girls defeated Lord Botetourt in a best-of-three contest, 12-15, 15-13 and 15-8. Patty Roach with 12 points and Ruby Smith with nine points were the leading servers.

Liberty defeated the Raiderettes in the second match of the tournament, 16-14, 3-15 and 15-11. Ruby Smith, Angie Murray and Angie Moore, with 12, nine and nine points, respectively, led Raiderette scorers.

The Raiderettes fell again in their third match of the tournament, with Gretna winning 15-13, 5-15 and 16-14 in the best-of-three contest. Ruby Smith and Angie Murray with 11 and nine points, respectively, were top servers in the game for the Raiderettes.

Liberty won the invitational tournament, defeating William Byrd in the championship match.

The Raiderettes won the third match of their season Feb. 2, winning 16-14, 9-11, 15-11, and 15-6 against William Campbell in the best-of-five competition.

Rhonda Jaggars with 16 points and Angie Moore with 11 led the Raiderettes in scoring.

The Raiderettes are scheduled to play Nelson County today (Thursday) at home and Liberty Monday at home. Both games start at 7 p.m.

Jayvees still unbeaten

The Raider jayvee basketball team remained undefeated last week, with victories against Jefferson Forest and William Campbell.

The Raiders jumped into an early lead against Jefferson Forest, scoring 18 points in the first quarter to Forest's seven.

The Raiders continued to lead in the second period, and the score stood at 32-23 as the buzzer sounded ending the first half.

In the third period, the Raiders extended their lead to 17 points, as the score stood at 48-31 when the buzzer sounded ending the third period.

In the final period, the Raiders scored 18 points to Forest's 11, to record the 66-42 victory.

Gary Ferguson and Tyrone Abbitt both scored in double figures for the Raiders, with Ferguson recording 17 points and Abbitt 11. "Ferguson was really hot against Forest," commented coach John Pettyjohn after the game. "That really opened things up for us."

Rick Miller, Louis Preston and Kinckle Robinson all scored eight points against Forest. Todd Scruggs and Ron Kelso each scored five points in the game, and John Hurt and Steve Hamlett scored a pair of points each.

Pettyjohn said that Tyrone Abbitt was the outstanding defensive player of the Jefferson Forest game for the jayvee Raiders.

Saturday's game against William Campbell was an easier one for the Raiders, who recorded their eleventh victory of this season, 58-31.

Once again, the Raiders jumped into an early lead, scoring 14 points to William Campbell's two in the first quarter. "We really dominated the boards," Pettyjohn commented after the game. "That made a big difference."

The Raiders continued their lead in the second quarter, and the score stood at 28-16 as the first half ended. In the third quarter, the Raiders increased their lead to 45-24, and in the final period of play, the jayvee Raiders scored 13 points to record the 58-31 victory.

Ferguson, Abbitt and Scruggs all scored in double figures for the Raiders, with 15, 10 and 10 points, respectively.

Tim Austin and Rick Miller each scored six points for the Raiders, Louis Preston scored four, Mike Jackson, Ron Kelso and John Hurt all scored two points, and Kinckle Robinson scored a point against William Campbell.

Pettyjohn cited the efforts of Todd Scruggs in choosing a defensive player of the game.

"In both games, the substitutes played a lot," said coach Pettyjohn. "They really helped us. Kinckle Robinson came off the bench and scored eight points against Jefferson Forest."

The jayvees are scheduled to play Brookville Friday night at Brookville, just before the varsity game.

Games rescheduled

Several basketball games have been rescheduled following the inclement weather of the past weeks, according to Howard Clabough, ACHS athletic director.

The Amherst game was rescheduled for Feb. 3 at home. The Gretna game was rescheduled for Feb. 10 away. The Buckingham game was rescheduled for Feb. 19 away.

National FHA/HERO week noted

The second week in February is a special week for the members of the Appomattox Senior FHA because they are celebrating National FHA/HERO Week as a part of National Vocational Education Week. Across the country FHA/HERO chapters of Future Homemakers of America are planning activities focusing on the theme Future Homemakers of America: Join Us and Grow With Us.

Join Us and Grow With Us.

Future Homemakers of America is one of nine vocational education youth organizations. A part of home economics curriculum through grade 12, it provides meaning and motivation for youth working toward home economics education. It reaches beyond classroom instruction into the home and community.

During the week, according to Jane Guill, chapter president, the Appomattox Senior FHA has planned the following projects: FHA proclamation signed by the Mayor of Appomattox, radio announcements, FHA placemats in restaurants, teacher recognition, and home projects for the students.

Future Homemakers of America has 12,500 chapters and national membership of 395,000. Members belong to two types of chapters. FHA chapters place major emphasis on consumer education, homemaking and family life education combined with exploration of jobs and careers. HERO (Home Economics Related Occupations) chapters place major emphasis on preparation for jobs and careers with recognition that workers also fill multiple roles as homemakers and community leaders. Both kinds of chapters emphasize growth of the individual, leadership development, citizenship and the dual roles of career and homemaking for men and women.

Founded in 1945 and located in Washington, D. C., Future Homemakers of America is currently undertaking a $2 million fund-raising campaign to build its own national headquarters and leadership center. The move to Reston, Virginia, 19 miles outside of the nation's capital, is planned for next summer.

JANE GUILL OF ACHS FHA looks on as Appomattox Mayor Ronald C. Spiggle signs proclamation designating the second week of February "National FHA/HERO Week." (Photo by Bill Sherrod)

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Baby Of The Week

VALARIE KOREN HARVEY, age 21 months is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Harvey, of Rt. 1, Appomattox. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Burrell. Paternal grandparent is Mrs. Peggy Harvey.

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ASCS Today

Oat report due

By TOM CONRAD

Oats Acreage Report Needed by February 5 - Farmers who have not submitted acreage reports for oats need to do so as soon as possible.

In addition to wheat and other feed grains, the recently-enacted Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 requires farmers to file acreage reports for oats to participate in 1982 programs.

Farm owners and operators are required to report their oats acreage by February 5 so that yield and base acreage work can be completed on time.

The oats report should include the planted acreage and crop use such as hay, grain, grazing, etc., for 1980 and 1981 crop years.

The reports should be accurate to avoid eligibility problems.

Farmers should submit their acreage reports for oats by the February 5 deadline. The County ASCS office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Report Farm Changes - ASCS urges farmers to report any changes in their farm operations for the 1982 program year as soon as possible.

Farm records must be kept up to date so that producers can get program benefits. Farmers should contact the county ASCS office if there has been a change in the land owned or operated, if a farm will have a new owner effective for 1982, or if a change is made in the operation of an exisiting unit.

Request to combine farms or divide a farm should be made promptly because reconstitutions require special processing as well as county committee approval.

Fertilizer Use May Equal Last Year's Level - Fertilizer use for 1981/82 will remain close to last year's 24 million tons, according to a recent report from the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Improved prospects for crop prices could increase nitrogen and potash use 1 to 2 percent.

USDA officials say the somewhat stagnant outlook for fertilizer use arises from reduced agricultural commodity prices, which will not encourage either significant expansion in crop acreage or increased application of fertilizers. Interest rates on farm production loans are expected to remain relatively high during the planting season, lessening the incentive for farmers to greatly expand input use.

The report also forecasts an increase in fertilizer prices. Prices paid by farmers could average 6 to 7 percent higher in the spring of 1982 than a year earlier.

Of all types of fertilizer, nitrogen could see the largest price rise between now and Spring. By May of this year, nitrogen prices could average 10 percent more than a year earlier.

Last year, the primary nutrient consumption was up 2 percent to over 23 million tons, mainly because of more wheat and corn acres and a modest increase in application rates for corn fertilizers. Nitrogen use increased 3 percent to 11.8 million tons, while phosphate and potash remained close to last year's 5.4 and 6.2 million tons, respectively. Overall fertilizer use was down only in the Northern Plains, was unchanged in the Corn Belt, Southeast, and Pacific regions, and rose in the rest of the country.

USDA officials say fertilizer supplies will range from adequate to plentiful.

ACFB meets

The Appomattox County Farm Bureau Women's Committee and Board of Directors reportedly has the fever.

Not Cabin Fever, but Spring Fever, according to a spokesman for the organization.

The ACFB Women's Committee had its organizational meeting Jan. 18 at the Farm Bureau office. The Women's Committee is composed of Margaret Glover and Leanne Anderson (co-chairmen), Louise Martin, Frances Goin, Ruth Coleman, Terri Conrad, Brenda Hix, and Ruby Almond (secretary).

At the meeting, events and activities for the coming year were planned.

Officers of the ACFB are Marvin Glover, president; Edwin Anderson, vice president; Bertha Jones, secretary and treasurer; Brenda Goin, office secretary; and Perry McCraw, advisor, insurance.

The Board of Directors for the organization is comprised of James Rosser, Carter Martin, Glenn Sammy Martin, Jr., W. E. Bondurant, Jr., W. Archer Webb, Dennis Torrence, Harold Jones, William Hix, R. Clark Lewis, and E. W. Carson.

Ricky Baldwin from the county sheriff's department spoke to ACFB members on the Farm Identification Program, a program which helps to prevent crime on the farm.

After a presentation supporting this program by Richard Lloyd, Virginia Farm Bureau Federation spokesman, the ACFB voted to purchase the necessary kit to begin the program. The local Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co. will pay for half of the expense to purchase the kit.

In other business, the board of directors approved a donation of $100 to support the Appomattox County Farm Management Tour, which will be held here in July.

The board also approved sending two couples to the Young Farmers Conference which was held in Williamsburg this weekend, Jan. 30 and 31. The couples were Mr. and Mrs. W. Danny Hix and Mr. and Mrs. R. Keith Coleman.

Happiness is 4-H

Share-the-Fun programs have been postponed again due to weather problems. Try out contests will now be held on Friday, February 5 at Pamplin Elementary School and each afternoon from February 8 through February 12 at Appomattox Elementary School. The County Share-the-Fun has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 27 at 7:00 p.m. at Appomattox County High School. Make your plans now to be with us for an enjoyable evening of 4-H talent.

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4-H strawberry orders must be in by this Friday, February 5. The plants will arrive in early March and each individual ordering plants will be notified when the plants arrive. An information sheet has been prepared to help each person with caring for and planting the strawberries.

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Laura Walton has been selected as one of six teenagers from Virginia to attend the 1982 National 4-H Conference in Washington D.C. during the week of March 27-April 2. Laura's selection was based on her achievements in 4-H over the past years.

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Glen McClenny has submitted a record book in the 4-H Cow-Calf Program which is sponsored by the Virginia Beef Cattle Association. A $200.00 scholarship is awarded the most outstanding Virginia 4-H Cow Calf project each year.

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Several 4-H members have been sent the new announcement about the 4-H Dark Tobacco Program that will begin in 1982. 4-Hers will need to enroll in the program by plant bed preparation time this spring. 4-Hers and parents in the program are invited to call the Extension Office for details.

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A series of Child Care Workshops will be held in March to help 4-Hers learn about baby-sitting responsibilities. The workshops will be designed for 4-Hers in the 6th grade and up and will provide the necessary training for young people to become competent baby sitters. Additional details will be provided for interested 4-H members.

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4-H members will be giving 4-H Presentations this spring rather than Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks. This name change is being done on a statewide basis to allow more flexibility in the techniques used by the young people. 4-H members may, of course, use the same procedure that they have been using for the Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks.

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